CRUSHING THE JOBBERS.

Middlemen Are Crowded Out : of Business by the Agents : Appointed to Distribute the Goods of the Octopus.

Eighty Firms Ruined by the Action of the Combine in Refusing to Supply Them \$ with Goods After March 20.

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This is simply another raid by Duke, Elkins, Wideher and the rest upon the prosperity and the very existence of the small tradesman. If the latter went to Duke ng the latter is only a question of time. In any case the jig is up for him. With myself, it is different, because I control a large eigar trade, but my business in cigarettes and tobacco is ruined, and I shall give it up. Statement by A. Lemnue and One Hundred and Twenty-

TRUST AGENTS UNCON-QUERED.

It is true that we are now the sole selling agents in this vicinity for the product of the American Tobacco Company, but what of that? It is a business arrangement, and I cannot see anything wrong or unusual in it. Does it ruin the jobbers? I do not know that it does. I do not know what these jobbers want. They are dissatis-fied, and have been holding meetings and organizing, but I do not know what their grievance is. We are selling the goods of the American Tobacco Company cheaper than they were ever sold before. That's all I care to say about the matter.-Statement by A. D. Bendnelmer, president of the Metropoi-

The Tobacco Trust has for some time past been waging a war of extermination against the jobbers in Greater New York and it has almost wiped them out. A few nights ago the remnant of the jobbers met in Odd Fellows' Hall. In East Eighth street, and organized the independent Jobbers Association of Greater New York, with A. Lemiein, one of the largest jobbers in this vicinity, as president. A little more than a year ago there were more than one hundred tobacco jobbers in the boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn. To-day there are twenty-five.

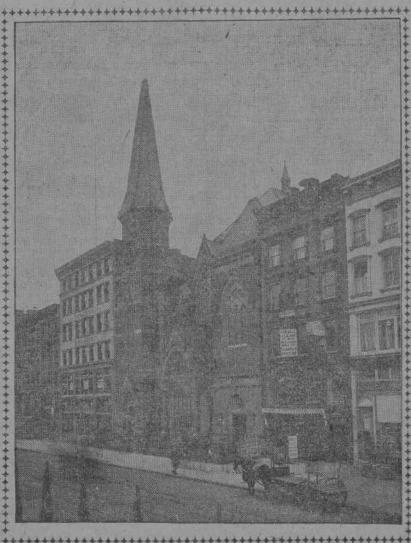
When it has wiped the jobbers out of existence the American Tobacco Company will be in a position to pay its respects to the few remaining manufacturers of prominence in the country. Its warfare against the jobbers has already begin to affect to have Dr. Evans retained.

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TUBACCO TRUST IS DR. EVANS'S FRIENDS



West Presbyterian Church, It is situated on West Forty-second street. Its paster, Rev. A. H. Evans, re signed suddenly on Sunday, Russell Sage is one of the members of the church.

Exciting Meeting at the West Presbyterian Church. Russell Sage Finds Out the Pastor's Resignation Is Not Desired by Many.

Feeling ran high at a joint meeting last mortgage on the church property for night of the trustees and session of the West Presbyterian Church to consider the resignation of the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Authony H. Evans, who made unexpected the mortgage, and as the church wanted to Anthony H. Evans, who made unexpected announcement of it from his pulpit last And

At the very outset a sympathiser with Dr. Evans asked E. H. Perkins, Jr., presi-Hamilton College, asking him to advise

tee Smedley of having discussed publicly The Tobacco Trust has for some time the troubles in the church. Mr. Smedley

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New York Doctors and Tradesmen Ruined by

Banker Cannon, of the 4th National, Calls It a "Disgrace to a Civilized Community."

The mere relate two or three instances of the wrongs inflicted on tradespeople. Issuing a hurry call to members of the wrongs inflicted on tradespeople. In the wrongs in

the delay.

She Had Spent the Money.

"Another instance is of a well-known est physician who treated a family residing on one of the avenues of our city. For a year his bills had remained unpaid—not even noticed. Finally, upon appeal to the lady of the house on one of his calls, 'Doctor, please be patient with me,' she said; 'my husband has given me money for that is little by little, out of my allowance.' In the meantime the physician is worried about his own bills because of the selfshness of this woman.

The Judge is a courtly gentleman and polished speaker, but has taken little terest in district polities. Mr. Croker a Hought to have each about an equal chance for the place, while Mr. Van Hoesen's name had scarcely been whispered.

Mr. Croker's dectaration fell like a thunder clap on the sponsors of Assemblyman John B. Fitzgerald and Assemblyman Lyman W. Redington.

Park Commissioner August Mochus, leader to the little by little, out of my allowance.' In the meantime the physician is worried about his own bills because of the selfshness of this woman.

VOTERS FOR THE BIG GAS GRAB TO FEEL TAMMANY'S LASH.

Rich Clients.

DUES WITHHELD.

"The distress which I have witeral, dressmakers and others, who are not paid their just dues by people who are able to pay is A DIS-GRACE TO A CIVILIZED COMMU-Fourth National Bank.

Ex-Judge George M. Van Hoesen.

sional men in general, dressmakers and succeed Augustus W. Peters, who died recently.

He was selected yesterday by the Tammany Hall Executive Committee to be the candidate for chairman of the Tammany General Committee, to

FOIL THEIR PURSUER.

Binghamton, N. Y., March 13.-Nicholas JERRY SIMPSON WRITES A tured his eloping daughter and newly made son-in-law in the Eric station to-night, but

Lottle Halbert and Frank Lines met several years ago in Elmira, where she was attending school and he studying veteriincident until the father found a note from will soon have published,

Mr. Croker Says They Betrayed the Interests of the Organization.

ORDERS AN INVESTIGATION.

Redington and Fitzgerald, the Assemblymen, in the Line of the Wigwam's Fire.

very suspicious.—BICHARD CROKER, in an address to the Tammany Hall Executive Committee yesterday, scoring the Platt-Rout Astoria Gas bill and Assemblymen Fitzgerald and Redington for voting to re-

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Albany, March 13 .- Assemblyman John B. Fitzgerald, one of the Tammany Assemblymen who may be the Astoria Grab bill, said to-night hey may wish to make. The fact heard Mr. Redington explain that if from Manhattan Borough. There

thought it was right that the Aspany has. Besides, there are gar plants in the district I represent and removed to Queens County It would be a good thing."

BOOK ABOUT THE DEVIL

It Will Describe What His Satanic Majesty Would Do with Reed and Others in Congress.

Wichita, Kan., March 13,-"If the Devil jected on account of her youth. They met Came to Congress" is the title of a book



